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J. B. YULE, Editor.

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## SPRINT THAT IS CUTTING PASS ROAD CANNOT LONG BE DENIED

In this, the Monkman Pass Highway Special Number, The Tribune has endeavored in a small way to assist the Monkman Pass Highway Association in the big effort to cut a road through the Monkman Pass and eventually to the coast. The government's concern of the feasibility and necessity of constructing a permanent all-weather highway along this route, the Peace River country's shortest and best route to the Pacific, in compiling this Special Number, The Tribune has confined itself to its immediate area, viz., from the B. boundary to Stony Lake, and from the Wapiti River to the Peace River. We have left the Peace River to the large and prosperous district north of the Peace River, where the Monkman Pass highway project has been strongly endorsed, to the weekly papers circulating in these sections. Likewise, The Tribune feels Prince George is better able to take care of the western end of the highway.

However, the number of towns and districts represented in this number indicates the unity of the country back of the necessity of having the Monkman Pass Highway constructed. Never before in the history of the Peace River have its people stood so solidly behind one idea as they are doing in supporting the Monkman Pass highway project. Sectionalism has been eliminated and the slogan "We are the Coast by Way of the Monkman Pass." With this solid backing, the Monkman Pass Highway Association is pressing on and has commenced cutting the remainder of the trail to Hansard.

It is a big job, it is expected that it will be completed this fall. Napoleon, when told by his officers and engineers that it was impossible to take his army and equipment over the Alps, replied "No there are no Alps." And in a few days his army was on the plains of Italy. To the members of the Monkman Pass Highway Association and those assisting them there are no Rockies and no obstacles to the cutting of the trail.

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## THE MUSICAL FESTIVAL

The sixth Grande Prairie Musical Festival, held last week, proved the most successful since the organization was formed. Those not in close touch with the body of this holding with which the local festival has grown can have no idea of the immense amount of work involved and the numerous details to be attended to by the members of the festival organization. It is a labor of love, practically no one receives any remuneration for the work, but one motive, and that is to help in the advancement of the arts in the community.

The members of the Festival organization fully realize that if the Peace River is to attain great destiny which its vast resources permit, a love for the finer things must be developed with the material advance.

Those who have and are still giving so much of their time in encouraging interest in the various forms of art will not see the value of their efforts, but the fact that the satisfaction of knowing that they are helping the community to develop in this appreciation of the finer things of life will have their permanent place.

## IN THE TRIBUNE'S MAIL BOX

WILLIAM TINK CORRECTS REPORT OF HIS DEATH

Dear Mr. Editor:—Kindly allow me a little space to correct an error found in the Grande Prairie Herald's last week's edition, viz., announcing my death and burial, which was likely meant for Mr. E. Fink of the Peace River. The surnames been mistaken one need not be surprised, but the christened name was wrong, which appears considerably careless. True, some of us have a lease of life, but as papers are so circulated and some have allowed their names to become known through those journals, would it not be well to be a little more socially inclined and take

# Cooperation cuts A mountain road

By W. D. Albright  
Supt., Dominion Experimental Substation, Beaverlodge, Alberta

A RADIO TALK OVER CFPG Ladies and Gentlemen of the Listening World—Mesdames et Messieurs de radio audience.

The people of the Peace River country are heaving their way to the Pacific.

The spirit of cooperation that occupied the country, that built schools and churches and community halls and hospitals; the spirit that blazed the Edson Trail and pressed unceasingly for railway extension, the spirit that made possible the establishment of this radio station, is now concentrating in many localities upon the project of a forked highway leading west from the Grande Prairie district and south from the Peace River district, uniting in a common trunk by the Monkman Pass through the Rockies. The Peace River, Wemby, Alberta, to the Canadian National Railway near Prince George, B.C., is only some 140-odd miles by railway survey and of this the first thirty miles is through settled country. The remainder of the trail will be of about the same length. Railway survey is said to indicate that the trail would be about 125 miles to the Canadian National Railway, and the permanent highway should not be longer than the trail. The latter may be thirty per cent greater or more.

No attempt is being made to construct a modern highway. That is an undertaking for governments. The present is to lay the trail, a pathfinder car out to Vancouver, demonstrating the feasibility of the route, in the hope that the federal and provincial governments may see their way clear to grade and gravel this mountain road. If and when that is done the trail now being cut will be serviceable. There is plenty of gravel along the route.

In these days of general dependence upon government aid, the history of the Peace River highway project is an inspiring one of self-help, initiative, cooperation, and almost entirely financed by the people of the Peace River. The trail is being cut by the people of the Peace River, mostly people of limited means, to whom a hundred dollars means more than to many of the hundred thousand might to some city magnate.

These people have been here a long time—many of them a quarter century or more. They came in by the back way from Edmonton. They have been looking for railroad companies and governments to open a front door to the Pacific. The prospect retreats as the horizon does when approached, and many of the families—mostly people of limited means, to whom a hundred dollars means more than to many of the hundred thousand might to some city magnate.

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"The shortest route from the Peace to the coast is by the mountain road. It is open to the objection of a steep descent on the western side of the mountain, but by going around Squaw Mountain."

And that, I understand, is what the Monkman Pass does—it is really a detour of the Wapiti route. It is the pass which R. Jones, the Grand Trunk Pacific engineer, entered too late to go through before winter set in. I am told he has often declared that if he had found it earlier the Grand Trunk Pacific to Prince Rupert would have gone that way. I ventured on my return from Peace River town to draw this route to the attention of the late Sir Henry Thornton.

But the man whose name was eventually given to this direct and easy pass is Alex. Monkman, one of the Red River settlers, who remembers a boy camping in a buffalo-skin teepee during the annual buffalo hunts on the plains of Saskatchewan, who mined in Montana then headed by the overland route for the Klondike, but turned westward to the coast. He was wintered at Slave Lake for Bredin and Cornwall, then was sent over to the Grand Pacific in 1899. No open trading past. This he did at Lake Saskatchewan, where he grew plots of wheat and was the beginning of the century. He now farms in the Wemby district. How long the Monkman Pass has known of this mountain pass and advocated it as a railway route.

For in that road so new what obstacles may we find when we have shuffled off without due preparation—then must we pause. There's the calamity of such hasty action!

For who will bear the whips and scorns of scoundrels, the jests of those who lend no hand to help—the passage to the coast, the insolence of office and the spurs the patient pioneers must take.

Why not give up? Ah! who would sweat and work his way through that unknown country from when perchance no traveler returns?

That daunts us all and makes us rather value the country that we have than fly to others that we do not of.

This caution does make covets of us all—and our plans and resolutions off bear no fruit and others are inspired to carry out enterprises of great pitch and moment—such as a highway to our Western coast would be.

were transported by boat to the west end of the lake. Here they met a man who told them they could make \$35 to \$40 a day taking mining on the Wapiti and Smoky rivers, and, as the season was advanced, they had better not go any farther. But was the Klondike nothing for Monkman, so the party divided. McLeod went to Grande Prairie to get a fur trading post in the Grande Prairie country. Passing through the present town of Grande Prairie when only three or four miles from the coast, they turned back to Slave Lake.

At Slave Lake Monkman met Jim Fries, who still lives northeast of Bear Lake, and Col. Jim Cornwall, who is now actively engaged in developing the mining properties around Great Bear Lake. They engaged him to pick a site for a fur trading post in the Grande Prairie country. Passing through the present town of Grande Prairie when only three or four miles from the coast, they turned back to Slave Lake.

Monkman's next venture was ranching. But settlers began coming in by 1908-09 and soon ranching was curtailed. He had a homesteaded near the site of his old trading post, where he still lives. But like all the rest of the settlers, he had no money and was waiting for the promised coast-out train, which never came. By 1920 he was broke and had to leave the coast. He had no money and was waiting for the promised coast-out train, which never came.

He took his discovery to both the C.P.R. and the C.N.R. engineers in Edmonton. The C.P.R. seemed more interested and promised to write him. Two weeks later a letter from them arrived in general delivery. Vancouver, but it was late June before he let it be caught up with him. In the meantime, at Prince Rupert, Mr. Monkman met Mr. Dawson, a director of the C.N.R. who was so interested in the new pass that he told him to go back to Edmonton and get the C.P.R. to build the pass. So this time Murray Hill, reconnaissance engineer of the C.N.R., was called in to make a preliminary survey with Mr. Monkman; but the discovery of the pass can't help but wonder what would have happened if the C.P.R. letter had reached him in time. He made arrangements with the C.N.R.

According to Mr. Monkman, when Murray Hill made his readings on a clear day the summer of 1923 he said that the summit of Monkman was 3,200 feet, the lowest he had ever known. He was so sure of this that he said to Mr. Monkman, "I still believe this reading to be correct. A survey given 3,500 as the summit of the mountain, which is the figure used on the maps."

The rest of Alexander Monkman's story is well known. For years he tried to get action for an outlet through his pass, backed by the old-time knowledge of his own knowledge in the plains. When the C.P.R. was to build a road on a bold move—the plan was to build their own road. This was action and was a bold move. He was so sure of this that he said to Mr. Monkman, "I still believe this reading to be correct. A survey given 3,500 as the summit of the mountain, which is the figure used on the maps."

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not so well managed, grew up last fall after the rains with a beautiful green crop. It was a splendid pasture all fall and winter—and like the crop on brown soil, the latter field of wheat, with the fibre of wild oats, has not suffered at all.

Not all of us can have grass sod, nor can we want a farm polluted with wild oats, but in these two outstanding examples there is surely room for serious thought. The planting of trees for shelter and windbreaks surely has much to recommend it, but takes years of results, and by that time most of our best soil may be gone. We want a practical system, starting NOW, that will give results for the year of 1939.

We have had many years of experience in the ups and downs of wheat farming—grasshoppers, frost, hail, drought, winds and drifting soil. In the very near future, with The Tribune's consent, we will publish several systems for holding the soil. NOT theoretical, but simple, practical remedies that we have seen used, and when everything goes wrong, have used them ourselves. One thing that admits of NO argument: We must seed down part of our farms with some kind of grass to put fibre in the soil. Brome is good, but crested wheatgrass, though the seed is expensive—is much better, either in the line of holding the soil or in the line of the soil. On the island, several years ago, we broke up a patch of crested wheatgrass. Three times it has been plowed, the grass is killed, but not owning a disc harrow—many of those roads should still do very well for building a sod house.

I thank you.

TO CONDUCT TENT MEETING  
Rev. Clement C. Uphall of the Apostolic Mission, Edmonton, will conduct a tent meeting in Grande Prairie in the month of July. He will be assisted by Mrs. Uphall and Mrs. L. C. Fries. The meeting will be held at a meeting in the I.O.O.F. Hall, Sunday evening, May 22.

MANY VISIT LAKES SUNDAY  
With summer weather making an early visit here, Bear Lake "season" was more or less officially opened on Sunday. The crowds of people were interested in the boats, the

planes and, of course, the cool water. All signs point to a big season for this popular and nearby resort.

## Register Smartly

—By Jane Dee

CONTINUING your studies this summer? Now is the time to begin planning your wardrobe. Many of your Spring clothes may be used throughout the hot days ahead, if you choose them wisely and well.

For instance, shoes are popular now, and what could be better when the thermometer rises than to sizzling heights? Then, there are color combinations to be considered and they are most important. Perhaps you are in doubt regarding the type of clothes you'll require.

Why not write to me? I'd like to help you plan your wardrobe, to make suggestions regarding your most flattering colors and how to combine them most effectively.

Have a smart wardrobe and you'll get through your course with flying colors!

Jane Dee

## WHO OWNS CANADA'S BANKS?

Who are the owners and what do they do?

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JIM BROWN, carpenter—your next-door neighbor—may be one of the supposed "Big Shots" who own the banks in Canada. He may own a couple of shares, or maybe only one.

Women, executors & trustees of estates, and retired people, comprise about 63 per cent. of the shareholders in one of Canada's banks, taken as an example.

Analysis of this particular bank, which may be regarded as typical, shows that women own nearly half its shares. Farmers, merchants and professional men are the most numerous of the classes listed.

There are 260 occupations represented among the shareholders. They include: Accountants, actors, barbers, bankers, beekeepers, boat-builders, bricklayers, carpenters, chessmen, clergymen, dairymen, dentists, doctors, drovers, druggists, farmers, fishermen, foresters, gardeners, grocers, insurance agents, janitors, journalists, linotypists, lobster buyers, miners, oil operators, painters, policemen, railroaders, salesmen, seamen, way employees, ranchers, sailors, scalars, sheriffs, stenographers, stoves, teachers, trappers, and others.

There are among the folks who own the banks and so must have a part of the money which some people seek to scare you—that fabled "international bankers' ring". They are mostly Canadians—your fellow-citizens—decent people like yourselves.

50,185 people hold the 1,445,000 chartered bank shares issued. Seventy out of every hundred shares are owned in Canada. The average share-holding is 28.8 shares, but all through the lists of bank shareholders you will find hundreds who own from one to five shares.

There is no concentration of ownership in the hands of any small group. These shareholders annually elect directors. There are 172 directors in Canada's chartered banks. Their addresses dot the map of Canada from coast to coast. They are men of proven business ability; their own success has given them judgment and good judgment is always alert in safeguarding your money.

Their business experience reinforces the skill and training of the bank's management in conducting the business of the bank in the interests of the shareholders.

They are at your service.

## THE CHARTERED BANKS OF CANADA

Your local branch bank manager will be glad to talk bank matters with you. He will be glad to answer questions from the standpoint of his own experience. The next article in this series will appear in this newspaper. Watch for it.















## Oil and The Monkman Pass Highway

How will recent oil developments in the Pouce Coupe district affect the Monkman Pass Highway project? At the present time there are two companies drilling in the Pouce Coupe oil field—the Batchelor Syndicate, who are reported to have struck a good flow of gas at 895 feet, and the Guardian Oil Company, who are spudding in. The former, a closed corporation, have not made their plans public, but the latter company announce that if a sufficient quantity of gas is encountered (200,000,000 cubic feet a day), they have a forty-year contract to sell this gas to British Columbia coast cities. To accomplish this they propose to construct a pipeline through the Monkman Pass, 430 miles long, to Bella Coola for oil shipments to world markets and 430 miles (estimated) to Vancouver for gas and oil.

That gas and oil will eventually be found in commercial quantities in the Pouce Coupe field seems altogether probable, but such developments are a matter of years of drilling, testing and experimenting. Oil with a high naphtha content was discovered in Turner Valley in 1914, but it was not until 1932 that crude oil, the dream of all oil men, was encountered in quantity, although gas was shipped far and wide for years, as the sheep farming country became dotted with derricks. Whether the experience gained in that southern field will be of benefit in the Pouce Coupe remains to be seen, but that any oil development being carried on will affect the roads of the country in which it occurs goes without saying.

Engineer A. H. McQuarrie of the Alberta Public Works Department has already made a preliminary inspection of existing bridges and the road situation generally in preparation for the anticipated heavy traffic of oil machinery and equipment. Think of the road work to be done if oil and gas are to be transported to the Pacific Coast.

The Peace River Basin, lying west of the Athabasca tar sands, which at one time, geologists claim, was a vast

lake of oil, has interested oil men for many years. From 1918 to 1922 large sums were spent in geological surveys, both by oil companies and governments. In 1921 the North West Company, a subsidiary of the Imperial Oil, began drilling in the deep gorge of the Pouce Coupe River, about 15 miles from the present village of Pouce Coupe. A remarkable seepage of high gravity oil has been running for many years near the site of the well. Both oil and gas were encountered at 180 feet but in what quantity was never revealed. But an oil fever was on, and when at 1,500 feet 33,000,000 cubic feet of gas daily was reached, it seemed justified. More gas was found as drilling proceeded, but at 3,057 feet the well was capped and abandoned in 1925, for no apparent reason. In 1932 this well blew out around the casing and caught fire, illuminating the country around for miles for several months until extinguished and again sealed. For years extensive leases in this field have been held by powerful companies but no further action at development was made until in 1932 the present Alberta government cancelled the leases under new regulations. Other interests have now leased land in the Pouce Coupe area and seem to be really developing their leases.

On May 2, in a debate in the House of Commons on the Monkman Pass Highway, introduced by Rene Pelletier, member of Parliament for Peace River, Gray Ferguson, member for Cariboo, who recently gave a membership donation to the Monkman Pass Highway Association, and who was supporting the Omnipac mining route, mentioned the oil drilling activities starting in the Pouce Coupe field. Said Mr. Ferguson:

"I am inclined to think that they will be successful and will secure oil and gas—certainly gas, if not oil. If that takes place, all the conditions surrounding the question of the Monkman Pass will have changed. If those resources are found, a great natural resource has been discovered, one which would be well worth tapping."

In other words, the discovery of oil or gas in commercial quantities will make the construction of a real highway through the Monkman Pass an immediate government undertaking. Only the best of highways can handle the heavy oil trucks and drilling machinery such as rumble continuously over the Turner Valley roads in the south of the province. And oil has a way of getting itself to its market in a hurry.

And so "OIL FOR THE MONKMAN PASS" may well be a theme song with a valuable double meaning.



LOOKING UP MURRAY RIVER A FEW RODS ABOVE FALLS.

## Musical Festival Grand Concert Programme

Greenway School Orchestra. Chairman's remarks, Mr. Galway. Mr. Tooley. Piano solo, Marian Thorpe. Piano duet, Irma and Orna Billplant. Reading, "The Elf and the Dornhouse," John Grant. Reading, "The Giant Fear," Kathleen Guthrie. Swedish clap dance, Montrose Public School, grades 1 and 2. Irish jig, Montrose School. Highland fling, Herwyn School of Dancing. Presentation, numbers 1 to 16. Mrs. Steacie. Spirit River School Chorus, girls only. Montrose School Chorus, grades 1 to 2. Choir, Montrose School Chorus. St. Joseph's School Chorus. Presentation, numbers 17 to 33. Mrs. Berry, presenting CQIP trophy. Vocal solo, Marian Thorpe. Piano solo, Edith Ryley. Piano duet, Annie Smart and Betty Carveth. Elocution, "Ebbtide," Florence Voe. Reading, "The British Empire," Margaret Campbell. Violin solo, Arthur Holmberg. Violin duo, Patricia Frewer. Presentation, numbers 34 to 52. Mr. Hendra, presenting Mona Cooke Cup. Piano solo, Hilda Law. Vocal solo, Edna Hillman. Vocal duo, Patricia Meraw and Orna Prevost. Grande Prairie High School Chorus. Vocal solo, Natalie Miller. Piano solo, Olive Kowensky. Piano solo, Ethel Gudlaugson. St. Paul's United Church Double Quartet. Presentation, numbers 53 to 73. Play, "The Monkey's Paw." "God Save the King."

### AWARDS

Macdonald's Consolidated Shield to Greenway School, first place, School Orchestra, 80 marks. Bronze Medal to Christian Tamburice Orchestra, second place, School Orchestra, 78 marks. Silver Medal to Marion Thorpe (first), Beginners' Piano, 18 marks. Bronze Medal to Margaret O'Brien (second), Beginners' Piano, 17 marks. Certificate to Irma and Orna Billplant (first), Beginners' Piano Duets, 82 marks. Silver Medal to John Grant, Elocution, grades 1, 2, 3 (first), 82 marks. Bronze Medal to Jeanette Maux, Elocution, grades 1, 2, 3 (second), 80 marks. Silver Medal to Kathleen Guthrie (first), Elocution, grades 4, 5, 6, 85 marks. Bronze Medal to Marianne Johnson (second), Elocution, grades 4, 5, 6, 83 marks. Simpson Shield to Montrose School, grades 1 and 2 (first), Swedish Clap Dance, Junior Folk Dance, 84 marks. Certificate to Berwyn School of Dancing (second), Showmakers' Dance, Junior Folk Dance, 79 marks. Campbell, Wilson & Horne Shield to Montrose School (first), Irish Jig, Senior Folk Dance, 80 marks. Certificate to Valerie Ellwood School of the Dance (second), Swiss Dance, Senior Folk Dance, 85 marks. Senior Cup to Herwyn School of Dancing (first), Highland Fling, Open Folk Dance, 88 marks.

Certificate to Greenway School (second), Katrina's Dance, Open Folk Dance, 83 marks. Northern Tribune Shield to Spirit City School (first), School Chorus, girls only, Junior Division, 153 marks. Certificate to Sexsmith School (second), School Chorus, girls only, Junior Division, 152 marks. Hodman-Miller Shield to Montrose School, grade 2 (first), Primary School Chorus, 158 marks. Certificate to Sexsmith School (second), Primary School Chorus, 149 marks.

E. V. Bergrin Shield to Clairmont School (first), Junior School Chorus, boys only, 145 marks. Certificate to Beaver Lodge School (second), Junior School Chorus, boys only, 144 marks. Certificate to Hyerford School (second), Two-Room School Chorus, 139 marks. Hush Allen Shield to Mountain Side School (first), One-Room School Chorus, 154 marks. Certificate to Royal Banner School (second), One-Room School Chorus, 153 marks.

P. P. Tooley Cup to St. Joseph's School (first), Open School Chorus, 158 marks. Certificate to Montrose School (second), Open School Chorus, 155 marks. I. O. D. E. Cup to St. Joseph's School (first), Junior Chorus, 83 marks. Silver Medal to Wilfrid Deschamps (first), Boys' Solo, 80 marks. Bronze Medal to Edward Murray (second), Boys' Solo, 80 marks.

Silver Medal to Marian Thorpe (first), Junior Girls' Solo, 80 marks. Bronze Medal to Hilda Law (second), Junior Girls' Solo, 79 marks. Silver Medal to Edith Ryley (first), Junior Piano Solo, 167 marks. Bronze Medal to Jean Bellamy (second), Junior Piano Solo, 165 marks.

Certificate to Annie Smart and Betty Carveth (first), Junior Piano Duo, 82 marks. Certificate to Jean Bellamy and Edith Ryley (second), Junior Piano Duo, 80 marks.

Elocution, grades 7, 8, 9, 86 marks. Bronze Medal to Alec Stodnyk (second), Elocution, grades 7, 8, 9, 84 marks. Silver Medal to Marguerite Campbell (first), Elocution, grades 10, 11 and 12, 85 marks.

Bronze Medal to Raymond Ferguson (second), Elocution, Grades 10, 11 and 12, 82 marks. Silver Medal to Arthur Holmberg (first), Junior Violin Solo, 161 marks. Bronze Medal to Betty Rieby (second), Junior Violin Solo, 146 marks.

Bronze Medal to Patricia Frewer (first), Intermediate Violin, 142 marks. Silver Medal to Hilda Law (first), Intermediate Piano Solo, 167 marks. Bronze Medal to Mary Baynton (second), Intermediate Piano Solo, 155 marks.

Silver Medal to Peggy Mills (first), Senior Girls' Solo, 15 and under, 79 marks. Bronze Medal to Gwendolyn Miles (second), Senior Girls' Solo, 15 and under, 78 marks.

Silver Medal to Edna Hillman (first), Senior Girls' Solo, 18 and under, 79 marks. Bronze Medal to Marguerite Campbell (second), Senior Girls' Solo, 18 and under, 78 marks.

Certificate to Patricia Meraw and Orna Prevost (first), Junior Vocal Duets, 78 marks. Certificate to Flora Lawlor and Kathleen Kees (second), Junior Vocal Duets, 71 marks.

Town of Grande Prairie Shield to Grande Prairie High School (first), Senior School Chorus, 159 marks. Certificate to Spirit River High School (second), Senior School Chorus, 155 marks.

Silver Medal to R. A. Steed (first), Open Vocal Solos, 161 marks. Bronze Medal to Natalie Miller (second), Open Vocal Solos, 156 marks.

Silver Medal to Olive Kowensky (first), Open Piano Solo, 165 marks. Bronze Medal to Kathleen Philp (second), Open Piano Solo, 161 marks. F. Eaton Cup to Vahalla Community Choir and Grande Prairie Male Voice Choir (tied for first place), Community Chorus, 183 marks. Birks' Cup to St. Paul's United Church Double Quartet (first), Open Chorus, 139 marks. Certificate to Vahalla Centre Choir (second), Open Church Chorus, 148 marks. Silver Medal to Ethel Gudlaugson (first), Open Piano Solo, 165 marks. Bronze Medal to Dorothy Adams (second), Senior Piano, 146 marks. Silver Medal to Kathleen Philp (first), Senior Piano, 146 marks. Bronze Medal to Hilda Law (second), Sight Playing, 78 marks. Silver Medal to Edna Hillman (first), Sight Singing, 80 marks. Certificate to Dorothy Guthrie, Lois Cooke, Frank McLaren and Robert Philp (first), Mixed Quartet, 153 marks.

Frank, Donald Cup to Grande Prairie High School, "Monkey's Paw" (first), High School Plays, 80 marks. Certificate to Grande Prairie High School, "The First Dress Suit" (second), High School Plays. Simpson Cup to Saskatoon Lake School, "The King's Girl" (first), Public School Plays, 79 marks.

Certificate to St. Joseph's School, "The Circus Troupe" (second), Public School Plays, 78 marks. Spencer Cup to Grande Prairie Town School, "The Circus Troupe" (first), Mena Cooke Memorial Cup to Wilfrid Deschamps (first), Outstandingly artistic vocal solo. Northern Broadcasting Corporation Shield to Thomas Ryley for best individual performance in one-act plays.

### HIGH PRAIRIE

BELOVED PRINCIPAL OF INDIAN MISSION AT WHITE FISH LAKE LAID TO REST

HIGH PRAIRIE, May 26.—The Rev. C. D. White, until a year ago the beloved and much beloved principal of the White Fish Lake Anglican Mission, died here last Friday and his funeral was held from St. Mark's Anglican Church on Tuesday afternoon, with interment in the local cemetery, and the Bishop of Athabasca and Rev. S. G. West conducted the last rites.

Rev. Canon White of Edmonton, formerly rector of this parish, returned for his brother's funeral. Other mourners were Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Hill. Surviving are a brother and two sisters in Wolverhampton, England.

Bishop Sovereign paid a glowing tribute to the work and character of the late Mr. White, who labored for over forty years to the Indians at St. Peter's Mission, near Grouard, and at White Fish Lake. G. S. Spaulding was the undertaker.

OTHER HIGH PRAIRIE NEWS (Received too late for last week's Tribune)

Miss Punched, who has retired after twenty years at the White Fish Lake Indian School, is ill at the home of Mrs. C. A. Walker. Miss Punched plans to live for a year or so at Enilda after her recovery.

Miss Elsie Pallett of the school teaching staff is also ill at present. Mr. F. C. Connors, the newly appointed government engineer, has opened an office here and has engaged Miss Betty Butler as his stenographer.

Mr. and Mrs. Halder Favine have returned from a visit to Edmonton. Mr. Sigurd Fewang drove to Edmonton this week and brought back a new Chevrolet.

Professor Ody and his Spook Show gave an entertainment and dance in the Legion Hall on Monday evening. Master Bruce Franklin has left for Providence Hospital after two months' absence, returning home following an operation for appendicitis.

Mrs. S. G. West is ill and her many friends hope she will soon be recovered. The Rev. George S. Johnson is leaving next week for the United Alberta Conference of the United Church of Canada, being held in Edmonton.

Mr. and Mrs. Magee of Fort Saskatchewan are visiting their son, Clifford Magee, en route to the coast. Mr. and Mrs. Emil Vandersagen are building a new frame and stucco house.

The play, "Safety First," a farce-comedy in three acts, was put on recently in the Legion hall by the United Church Ladies' Aid, under the direction of the Rev. Geo. S. Johnson. A large audience was in attendance and thoroughly enjoyed the fast-moving and exciting situations. Those in the cast were Mrs. O. Bancks, Mrs. S. D. Fewang, Mrs. J. L. Janzen, Misses Mary and Vicky Harding, and Rev. G. S. Johnson, Messrs. Melvin Taylor, Tommy Harding, Leslie Kirkness and Kenneth Freeman. After the performance Mrs. M. E. White entertained the cast with a nice supper.

Dr. E. L. McIntyre attended the medical refresher course at the University of Alberta last week. Mr. F. E. Nichol of Killam was in town last week-end.

Mr. Sam Harris was an Edmonton visitor last week. Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Spaulding and Mrs. A. L. Aldcroft motored to Edmonton last week to meet Miss Florence Spaulding of Phoenix, Arizona, who is staying here for a few months.

Miss Hilda Fewang has returned from a visit to Vancouver. Mrs. Wm. Walker is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Butcher, before going to Coal Valley to reside. Mr. Jack Kerns has returned home after spending the past few months as an instructor in agriculture with the Dominion and Provincial Youth Training Organization, which held various schools here and in other parts of the Peace River country.

Messrs. Monkman and Favine were here recently in connection with the Monkman Pass Association and gave an illustrated lecture in the Legion Hall.

Bishop and Mrs. Sovereign and Mr. H. A. George of Peace River were visitors here recently. Mrs. O. C. Bancks is visiting in Calgary and Doda.

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## Musical Festival Events As Told Day By Day

(Continued from Last Week)  
WEDNESDAY EVENING  
At the Old Capitol Theatre.

On Wednesday evening, at the old Capitol Theatre, Mrs. E. M. Steele and Miss Park Gowan adjudicated the Folk Dancing and High School Plays, respectively.

In Class 3, Folk Dances, Open, there were nine entries. First, Betty Steele; second, Greenwood School; Katinka, 33 marks; third, Dean Toews, Russian Dance, and Beverly School of Dancing, Scotch Reel, 32 marks.

A vast improvement since last year in the technique of dancing, was Mrs. Steele's summing up, and she thanked the teachers for all their hard work in teaching their pupils and for the excellence of costumes. The great variety in dances was most pleasing. Some of the dances were excellent and in Katinka and the solo Russian dances especially there were many difficult steps.

Mrs. Steele pointed out that it was not fair to judge work with group dancing. The latter is much more difficult, as a solo dancer can take her own time and mistakes are not so noticeable. She hoped that these two kinds of dancing would be divided into separate groups next year.

### THURSDAY MORNING AND AFTERNOON

At the Old Capitol Theatre on Thursday morning and afternoon, in the old Capitol Theatre, Miss Park Gowan adjudicated Class 8 (44). Graded School plays, in which Montrose School made four entries and St. Joseph's School two. The presentation of "The King's Girls" was entered in with this group and received first place. The "Circus Tunnel," St. Joseph's School; third, "Wood's Wood," Montrose School. In some of these plays the setting of fir trees was charming but very hard on Canadian forests. The costumes were splendidly in character, especially Robin and Betty in "The Circus Tunnel" and Anne and Mary in "The Adoption of Ann," the King and Queen, the Magician and Prince in "Wood's Wood," the Cat in "The Travelling Musicians," and the Irish "help" in "The Discontented Sisters." The scenery and costumes in "The Princess and the Woodcutter" were beautiful, but apart from the Bile and Red Princes, the play never came to life, the actors did not throw themselves into their parts and so their acting was merely mechanical, colorless, and their words mumbled. A child should not be chosen for a certain role merely because she has a pretty face, but because she is lively, has sparkle in a decided personality.

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Eighteen girls sang the dainty "Lilting Song." Fairy found a "Partnering." While some missed the airy, fairy singling quality of the song, most of the voices were really good. The girls sang in a solo before was first 30 marks; Kathleen McManis, St. Joseph's School, second, 28; Marian Hunan, Wembley, third, 25.

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### MISS MITCHELL AROUSES MUCH INTEREST IN W.M.S.

The visit of Miss Evelyn Mitchell, Dominion travelling secretary of the Women's Missionary Society, has aroused much interest in the district. Arriving in Dawson Creek on May 10, Miss Mitchell spoke at a number of meetings, thrilling her audiences with stories of the work of the W.M.S. in all its diversity from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

On Monday, May 16, Mrs. J. Archer, now of Beaves Lodge, Presbytery, presided in the church, the members of the executive and members of the Halcott auxiliary at a luncheon in honor of Miss Mitchell. Phases of W.M.S. work were discussed following the luncheon.

On Friday, May 20, Miss Mitchell attended a tea given by Mrs. A. A. Dickson of Clairmont, returning to Grande Prairie to address an interested gathering of C.G.I.T. girls after school. In the evening Miss Mitchell spoke at a well-attended public meeting in St. Paul's United Church.

Miss Mitchell spent Saturday renewing acquaintances formed on her former visit six years ago, leaving in the evening for Sexsmith. On Sunday she accompanied Rev. W. T. R. Delve on a visit to Spirit River. Miss Mitchell will go to Peace River, returning from there to Edmonton, and eventually to her home in Toronto.

### GRANDE PRAIRIE BUSINESS COLLEGE EXAM. RESULTS

The following results have been obtained from the Faculty of Teachers in Commerce, London, England: Advanced Typing—Edna Hillman (Distinction), Willie Bayhan (Intermediate Typing—Joyce Tofer (Distinction), Fernie Sedore, Mary Violet Laker, Joyce Tofer, Marjorie King, Marjorie Guthrie.

The following are results received from Pitman's, Toronto, Ontario, for transcribing letters of one to two minutes' duration from shorthand to typed letters: Edna Hillman, 120 words per minute. At 100 words per minute: Ellen Rooney, Betty Tislington, Gwen Johnstone, Bertha King, Fernie Sedore, Mary Whitlock, Violet Laker, Joyce Tofer, Marjorie Guthrie. At 80 words per minute: Alberta Le Blond.

H. C. Hamelin of Spirit River was a business visitor in Grande Prairie on Thursday and part of Friday. Mr. Hamelin spent the winter at the Coast where he said his business conditions were very good, mining being especially active. On the way back he attended a family reunion at Vernon.

Thurs., Fri., Sat., May 26, 27, 28.—"Make a Will" Bobby Brown's new musical starting vehicle.

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